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(a) Except as indicated in subsection (b) of this section, a person may not drill a well in this State unless the Department issues a permit to drill the well.

(b) A person who has not been issued a permit by the Department may, after having notified the county board of health and a municipality if the temporary dewatering device will be located inside the municipality's corporate boundary line or if the temporary dewatering device will be located 1 mile or less outside the municipality's corporate boundary line, install a temporary dewatering device to facilitate the installation of underground utilities if the device:

(1) Is installed 30 feet or less below the ground surface;

(2) Is not located in any trench used for the installation of underground utilities;

(3) Contains no mechanical pumping equipment below the surface;
and

(4) Is removed no more than 30 days after installation.

(c) A person installing a temporary dewatering device under subsection (b) of this section shall restore the subsurface conditions of the installation area as nearly as possible to the conditions that existed before the installation.

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